

FISCAL NOTE

HB 439 - SB 1737

April 1, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Make uniform the court costs to which clerks of the court are entitled to charge pursuant to study conducted by the Tennessee Judicial Council.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Exceeds \$7,000,000

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$1,000,000

Other Fiscal Impact – There will be an increase in federal expenditures exceeding \$2,000,000 for filing fees related to child support.

Assumptions:

- Local government revenues will increase exceeding \$7,000,000 from the establishment of a statewide flat fee structure for court costs for civil cases.
- Bill does not provide an exemption from the increased civil filing fees for the Department of Human Services or other state agencies.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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